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Religious Department.

The Cumberland County Bible Association hold their annual meeting next Wednesday at Rev. V. W. Small's church Cumberland Center, 3 o'clock, p. m.

At Westbrook Rev. H. B. Mitchell writes to the Zion's Herald: "Please tell the world that the Lord is still at work among the people on Saccarrappa charge, and for three years past there has been constant interest in the church for the salvation of souls. God has added to their number, almost every week

are coming to Christ. The Church is one of the best in the Maine Conference, both to labor in spiritual things, and also to pay their pastor, and cheer him and his family by donations from time to time. Last evening many of these good people met in their vestry for a sociable, at which time they presented their pastor and his wife with a number of very valuable articles, for which we wish to make a public acknowledgment of our gratitude."

Rev. Dr. Warren of Gorham, District Secretary of A. B. C. F. M. commences a series of missionary conventions in Vermont and New Hampshire this week. The First Baptist Church in Maine was constituted in 1882 at Kittery.

At Waldoboro there is an unusual religious interest existing in the Baptist and Congregationalist churches. Many are seeking and finding Christ. Dr. Charles H. Whitney, the evangelist from Cambridgeport, is laboring there. At Harland and Lagoon interest is ex-

The inscription on the Eddystone tower, which for more than a century has gladdened the eye of the sailor on the rough shores of Cornwall, is: "To give light, to save life." Fit emblem of a true Christian.

A Methodist minister, Rev. C. K. True, it is claimed, when an undergraduate, made the wittiest pun ever perpetrated in Harvard College. The hostess at the Hasty-Pudding Club was tried in a mock court for her ill-prepared viands and was condemned to take

The Watchman, speaking of Baptist seminaries, says Newton found the denomination with, in the main, an uneducated ministry, and even extensively prejudiced against ministerial education, and went quietly and cautiously at work and kept at it. At present our educational structure is weakest in its foundations.

men are able to have so many colleges and theological seminaries in New England only because they have such grand feeders at Andover, Exeter, Meriden and East Hampton, with not one of which have we as yet anything to compare. Maine has a very thorough school at Waterville, but wholly inadequate, we suppose, to the wants of our denomination in that State." It gives this week a list of salaries increased; a proper measure, in keeping with the steadily increasing de-

The public; Pastor Tower, Amherst \$200; Baldwin, Chelsea \$500; Folljame, Malden \$2,500 to \$3000; Gordon of Boston \$4000 to \$5000; and Lorrimer of Boston \$5000 to \$6000. Other denominations are doing the same.

The original Beecher family used but two instead of three e's in spelling their name.—They are mentioned 1 Chron. 7:9 as "Mighty Men of valor 20,200 in number." Henry Ward will be fifty eight years old in June.—

When the school boy, the teacher drilling him in the use of the definite article, remarked that it was proper to say a man but not a women. "Yes, I can; Father always says *American* at the end of his prayers," was his ready answer. The disconcerted teacher passed to the possessive case, you can say "his book," but not "him book." "Yes I can and do say *Hymn Book*." "But seriously, Henry, just attend to the passive voice, *I strike* is active, but *I am struck* is passive, because you do nothing." "Yes I do, I strike back again!"

According to the Independent, Rev. Washington Gladden thinks that if Paul had lived in our day he would have printed a paper, writing editorials instead of epistles. Mr. might have made a worse guess.

The stockholders, chief contributors and employees of the Christian Register, with representatives of the religious and secular press, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of its publication by a gathering at the Commonwealth Hotel, Boston, the 20th inst.

Father Taylor, provoked at a bit of tattlet

that came to his ears at the table, before grace, refused to pray but while stirring his coffee, burst out with: "O Lord, save us from deceit, conceal, and tattling!" One of his daughters has these words hanging in her room.

What a world of gossip would be prevented if it was only remembered that a person who tells you of the faults of others intends to tell others of your faults.

I am much more disturbed in society by the little impression made by real merit, than by the so-often-lamented tolerance of vice.—*Mrs.*

Dr. Adams, formerly of Brunswick, once said that intellectualism would kill a prayer-meeting. Perhaps so, if emotion be wholly absent, but Dr. Todd says that the social conference meeting "should be an hour of instruction, a kind of Theological School, where such teaching is given as is suited to lead Christians to think, feel and act correctly." Dr. Hall of the Edwards Church Northampton, has added much to the interest of his weekly prayer-meetings by a Biblical exam-

cise, in which all present are desired to join. A certain passage of Scripture is given out the week before; the church bring their Bibles, and questions by the pastor are asked in a familiar way, and, so far as possible, answered in Scripture language by those present.—About half an hour is thus taken, when any one is at liberty to make remarks. This is incomparably better than the frigid and monotonous round of exhortation or stale experience of "forty years ago" which too often spoils the social meeting.

ple who are forever lamenting over their cold State and that of the church. "Nothing is more disagreeable to me than to hear of a man's ailments. If a person has a sore, I don't want to hear about it. I don't care to be regaled with the state of a man's stomach or liver. I have ills enough of my own. Yet some people will get together and croon and croon, and talk about each other's sicknesses, and about corpses, and how many they have laid out, and have [a regular gastronomic banquet. It is the same with spiritual ailments. It is the same with the church. I don't care

confession of specific sins. If a man has been carrying on the liquor business, and is converted, it is quite proper that he should confess that he has been doing the devil's work. If he has been engaged in any wickedness that has been open to the whole community, his repentance should be open. It is not necessary to give an inventory of all one's faults, but if we say anything it is better to be specific than generic."

A youthful speaker at Gorbam in a recent debate, declaimed against the "slavery introduced into Massachusetts" at North Adams. *Per contra*, through an interpreter, Charles

"The Independent rebukes the increasing use of chloral, morphine and other drugs used by women of pleasure to produce sleep after the excitement of the dance and parties. "We hear much said about drunkenness in all forms, in all grades of society, and among women as well as men. The use of anaesthetics is only one species, and a very danger-

ness. The worst for two reasons: Firstly, because it creeps on without even alarming the moral sense; what wrong can there be in seeking relief from pain? Secondly, because it increases at a rate beside which the sure downfall of the whisky drunkard is slow and it does a mischief to nerves and tissues which can never be repaired."

Between Baldwin and West Baldwin stations the Osage river joins the Neosho and

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A cluster of white houses, grouped upon a ridge with no common center presently visible, are the only buildings of any consequence there; but it is a miracle we get a solution of the mystery. They are the outposts of the village of South Widdam, sometimes known as "The Village that straggles over a great area, and we wish that we could see it as houses as a boy does his toy-blocks and build the town over again to suit our formal, city-laid and architectural propriety. But the careless arrangement of the buildings, and its location on an open, gently-rising

ntly enjoying his usual health.

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ware could be procured a hour, but to pry apart the rollers, and the machine had to be broken before he could be extricated. At the present

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